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MOISTURE METER, RECORD MEDIUM RECORDING CONTROL PROGRAM
FOR MOISTURE METER AND MOISTURE METER



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Group Art Unit: 2856

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.51(b), 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in the above-identified patent application. A listing of documents to be published on the face of any patent granted from this application is submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449. Any other documents or information submitted for consideration by the Examiner are listed in this paper. A copy of each U.S. and foreign patent, or each publication or portion thereof listed or herein identified is submitted herewith.

**CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY
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All of the documents listed on the appended PTO-1449 form relate to moisture sensing and controlling apparatus related to material heating and drying systems. The documents are either in the English language or an English language abstract is provided of the non-English language documents.

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STATEMENT REGARDING TRANSLATIONS

English language abstracts are provided for the three Japanese patent documents listed on the appended PTO-1449 form.

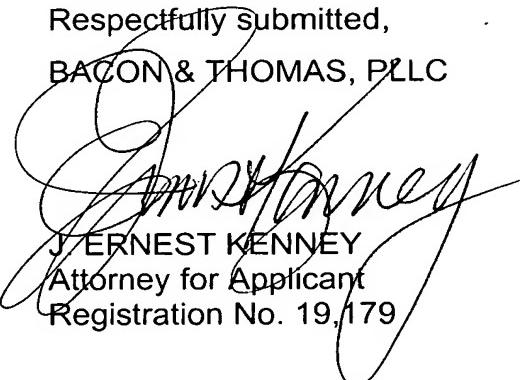
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Respectfully submitted,

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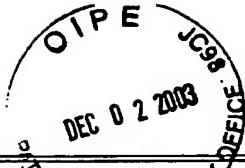

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U.S. Patent Documents

Examiner Initial	Document Number	Date	Patentee/Applicant	Class	Subclass	Filing Date if Appropriate
	4,798,252	Jan. 1989	Knothe et al.			
	4,889,201	Dec. 1989	Oldendorf et al.			
	5,983,711	Nov. 1999	Pappas et al.			

Foreign Patent Documents

Examiner Initial	Document Number	Publication Date	Country/Agency	Class	Subclass	Translation	
						Yes	No
	JP2194350	Jul. 1990	Japan				X
	JP59098222	Jun. 1984	Japan				X
	JP6308011	Nov. 1994	Japan				X

Other Documents (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Place of Publication, Etc.)

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